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VIA E-FILE

Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte 450 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Network Appliance, Inc. v. Sun Microsystems, Inc., U.S.D.C., Case No. C-07-06053 EDL

Dear Magistrate Judge Laporte:

Pursuant to Local Rule 7-11, Sun Microsystems, Inc. ("Sun") hereby moves the Court for an Order permitting Sun to file a 40-page Reply Claim Construction Brief ("Reply Brief").

As the Court may recall, the Court previously granted both Sun's and NetApp's requests to file opening claim construction briefs and responsive claim construction briefs no longer than 45 pages. NetApp's responsive claim construction brief contains multiple new arguments on each point, each of which needs to be addressed. It would be more efficient to address these arguments in the Reply Brief, rather than attempt to do so for the first time at the Markman hearing. As such, given the number of arguments raised in NetApp's responsive claim construction brief, Sun requires additional space in the Reply Brief in order to fully respond to the arguments.

Therefore, Sun respectfully requests that the Court allow Sun to file a 40-page Reply Brief.

Respectfully,

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